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Letter Concerning Notice of Abandonment Mailed January 16, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Via EFS-Web

Sir:

The notice of abandonment states that the application is abandoned because the applicants did not reply to the December 1, 2005 office action. However, please note that a notice of appeal, an extension of time, and a pre-appeal brief request for review were timely submitted via EFS-Web on March 30, 2006. A copy with the filing acknowledgment, downloaded from the USPTO website, are attached.

Dated: January 23, 2007 Respectfully submitted,

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Notice of Appeal

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Sir:

Applicants appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner, reopening prosecution (M.P.E.P. § 1204).

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Petition for Extension of Time

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request per 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in this application for a period of one (1) month. Please charge the non-small entity fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-2179, as previously authorized by the application transmittal.

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Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review

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Sir:

Applicant requests review of the final rejection. No amendments are being filed with this request. A notice of appeal was accompanies this request.

Notwithstanding the remarks in the 03/24/06 Advisory Action concerning the use of a computer to modify the shell surface, the reference fails to satisfy the claim limitation directed to the step of "adjusting the fit of the digital representation of the outer surface of the shell in the digital representation of the ear canal," i.e., performing the steps while the digital representation of the shell is positioned within the digital representation of the ear canal, as explained in the first full paragraph on page 9 of the applicants' Response to Office Action Mailed 12/01/05, filed on February 27, 2006.

The Advisory Action does not address this limitation. Reconsideration is requested.

Dated: March 30, 2006 Respectfully submitted.

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